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April 20, 2021

The Honorable Peter DeFazio Chairman House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 2251 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure
2164 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the S. Main Street Improvements in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Royal Oak and the project is located at S. Main Street from Lincoln Avenue to 11 Mile Road in Royal Oak, MI 48067.

The funding is designated for 0.5 miles of road resurfacing, base repairs, installation of permeable pavers for green infrastructure, ADA sidewalk ramp improvements, pedestrian refuge islands, and permanent pavement markings.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: this project provides a comprehensive roadway design that is safer and more inviting for people visiting downtown Royal Oak. The project includes greater accessibility by providing ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps. Pedestrian refuge islands will also provide additional safety measures at roadway crossings by reducing average speeds. These safety measures are also known to increase non-motorized transportation, which reduces carbon emissions. The proposed project also enhances environmental sustainability through the implementation of permeable pavers to absorb stormwater runoff.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

ANDY LEVIN Member of Congress April 20, 2021